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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting same to read as follows:

--A portable telephone that executes a desired function with simple operations. The portable telephone that executes various functions selected from hierarchically structured menus is provided with dedicated execution keys 9 for